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For : METHODS FOR INDUCING ANGIOGENESIS
USING MORPHOGENIC PROTEINS AND
STIMULATORY FACTORS

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants request that the time for responding to the August 13, 2002 Communication from the Examiner in the above-identified patent application be extended for a period of two months, from November 13, 2002 up to and including January 13, 2003.

Applicants have enclosed a check in the amount of \$410.00 in payment of the fee for this two -month extension

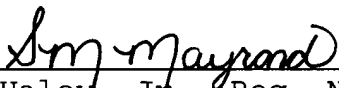
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[37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2)]. The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fee required in connection with this Petition, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.


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